

I-405 Projects Update

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Construction requires nightly traffic closures this week

We're closing freeway lanes and ramps at night this week to perform construction work on the Kirkland Nickel Improvement Project and the Totem Lake Freeway Station Project. I-405 lane closures are occurring between NE 85th and NE 132nd streets, and we're closing ramps at the NE 124th Street interchange. For details, visit our [construction update report](#). To find various ways you can help us cut down on congestion during I-405 construction, visit our [travel options page](#).

Tell us what you think about future improvements to I-405

As part of ongoing improvements to I-405, we're conducting a survey about travel on I-405 north of SR 520. This is your chance to learn more about possible future improvements to I-405 and give us your feedback. Would you pay a quarter to possibly shave fifteen minutes off your commute time? How about 80 cents? What if you were going shopping – would you pay to get there faster?

RSG Inc., an independent consulting firm, is conducting the survey for us. We're hoping to have results quickly, so we'd appreciate it if you could respond by Monday, April 10. The survey should take 10 to 15 minutes to complete. [Take the survey](#).

Framework for east half of new bridge in place at NE 128th Street

On the nights of March 27-29, crews closed all northbound lanes of I-405 to [set nine 128-foot girders](#) for the new NE 128th bridge. We set four girders the first night and five the second night. On the third night, crews set the radius pieces where the bridge will connect to the new HOV ramps in the median.

We plan to set the girders for the west half of the bridge in May. This will require us to close all southbound lanes of I-405 for multiple nights. We'll include more information in future e-mail updates, and you can always check our Web site for the latest information on [traffic closures](#). This work is part of the [Sound Transit](#)-funded Totem Lake Freeway Station Project.

2006 construction season kicked off in Kirkland and beyond

Thanks to those of you who joined us at our March 30 open house to kick off construction on the Kirkland Nickel Project. If you weren't able to make it to the open house, you can still learn more on our [Kirkland Nickel Project Web page](#).

We also [kicked off construction season](#) in the greater Puget Sound region with a “Road Trip” event, held at the Kirkland construction sites yesterday. Thanks to the support of the Washington State Legislature, this is one of our biggest construction seasons in recent history. In the greater Puget Sound region we'll build 215 significant projects at a cost of more than \$410 million. At yesterday's event we showcased what we're doing this summer and how we'll keep traffic moving while we're doing it. We'll use many communications tools – like these e-mail updates – to keep you informed and give you time to prepare for road closures and construction.

Highway advisory radio updates

Tune your radio to 530 AM or 1520 AM as you drive on I-405 through the Totem Lake area of Kirkland to hear the latest closure information and project updates. Questions or comments? E-mail [Laura Johnson](#).

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